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	First Named Inventor	Kenichi Nara, et al.
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☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity		Small Entity		Fee Description	Fee Paid
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)		
1011	310	2011	155	Utility filing fee	
1012	210	2012	105	Design filing fee	
1013	210	2013	105	Plant filing fee	
1014	310	2014	155	Reissue filing fee	
1005	210	2005	105	Provisional filing fee	
SUBTOTAL (1)					(\$0)

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

Total Claims		**	=	0	X		=	0
Independent Claims		**	=	0	X		=	0
Multiple Dependent							=	0

Large Entity		Small Entity		Fee Description	Fee Paid
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1202	50	2202	25	Claims in excess of 20	
1201	210	2201	105	Independent claims in excess of 3	
1203	370	2203	185	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid	
1204	210	2204	105	** Reissue independent claims over original patent	
1205	50	2205	25	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent	
SUBTOTAL (2)					(\$0)

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FEE CALCULATION (continued)

3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Large Entity Small Entity

Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1051	130	2051	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
1052	50	2052	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet.	
1053	130	1053	130	Non-English specification	
1812	2,520	1812	2,520	For filing a request for reexamination	
1804	920*	1804	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1805	1,840*	1805	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251	120	2251	60	Extension for reply within first month	120
1252	460	2252	230	Extension for reply within second month	
1253	1,050	2253	525	Extension for reply within third month	
1254	1,640	2254	820	Extension for reply within fourth month	
1255	2,230	2255	1,115	Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401	510	2401	255	Notice of Appeal	
1402	510	2402	255	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403	1,030	2403	515	Request for oral hearing	
1452	510	2452	255	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453	1,540	2453	770	Petition to revive - unintentional	
1462	400	1462	400	Petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(f)	
1463	200	1463	200	Petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(g)	
1464	130	1464	130	Petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h)	
1807	50	1807	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17 (q)	
1806	180	1806	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
8021	40	8021	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
1809	810	2809	405	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
1810	810	2810	405	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
1801	810	2801	405	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	

Other fee (specify) _____

*Reduced by Basic Filing Fee Paid SUBTOTAL (3) (\$120)

4. SEARCH/EXAMINATION FEES

1111	510	2111	255	Utility Search Fee	
1112	100	2112	50	Design Search Fee	
1113	310	2113	155	Plant Search Fee	
1114	510	2114	255	Reissue Search Fee	
1311	210	2311	105	Utility Examination Fee	
1312	130	2312	65	Design Examination Fee	
1313	160	2313	80	Plant Examination Fee	
1314	620	2314	310	Reissue Examination Fee	
SUBTOTAL (4)					(\$0)

SUBMITTED BY

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PATENT

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RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 12, 2007, Paper No./Mail Date 20071210, please consider the following.

Applicants hereby petition under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for a one month extension of time in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action and includes a fee as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a) with this response for such extension of time.

The Examiner has required an election of species pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 121 to one of the following patentably distinct species:

- A. Figures 1-7;
- B. Figure 9;
- C. Figure 20; and
- D. Figure 21.

Applicants, without traverse, respectfully request the Examiner to proceed with Species B principally illustrated in Figure 9. Applicants believe that Claims 1-8, 16-28 and 30-35 read on the elected species and that at least Claims 1-8, 28, 30 and 33-35 are generic. Applicants request that the non-elected Claims be held in abeyance for possible rejoinder and/or further prosecution in future divisional and/or continuation applications.


CONCLUSION

It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action, and as such, the present application is in condition for allowance. Thus, prompt and favorable consideration of this Response is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1600.

Respectfully submitted,

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